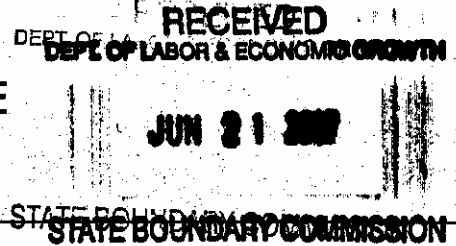


ACT 191

CRITERIA QUESTIONNAIRE

FOR ANNEXATION

BOUNDARY COMMISSION QUESTIONS FOR DEVELOPING PUBLIC HEARING INFORMATION



(The term "unit" is used throughout this questionnaire and is intended to mean your township, city or village)

I. POPULATION

A. Total population of your unit for each of the following dates:

1980 4,669 1990 5,483 2000 5,930

B. Give an estimate of the population in the area proposed to be annexed on the date the petition was filed with the Commission. 0

If the Commission expanded the area under consideration please include a separate estimate for that area N/A

II. POPULATION DENSITY AND LAND AREA

A. Give the total number of acres or square miles in your entire unit.

(1) Total number of acres _____ or square miles 65.1

(2) Density for 2000 _____ popu/acre or 91.09 popu/sq.mile.

B. Give the total number of acres or square miles in the area proposed to be annexed and the population for 2000. *If the Commission expanded the area for consideration please include separate figures for that area.*

Acres 71.5 or sq. mi _____ and population 0 in
area proposed for annexation.

Acres _____ or sq. mi. _____ and population in expanded area.

III. LAND USE

A. Enclose a copy of the long range plan for your unit or larger area (e.g. comprehensive Master Plan, Land Use Plan, Growth Management Plan). If there is not one for your unit of government, include county plan or other. Please list enclosures: Included

B. Development

1. Does your unit provide special incentives (tax-abatement, low interest rates) to homeowners, builders, or developers to locate in your area? Yes x No
2. If yes, describe: IFT's for industrial development

3. Give the quantity and location of any of the following types of development either planned, under construction, or completed within your unit during the last three years.

	PLANNED	UNDER CONSTRUCTION	DATE COMPLETED	SECTION OR EXACT LOCATION	# DWELLING UNITS AT BUILD OUT
Apartment Bldgs.	_____	<u>N/A</u>	_____	_____	_____
Standard Housing Subdivisions	_____	<u>N/A</u>	_____	_____	_____
Condominium Subdivisions	_____	<u>N/A</u>	_____	_____	_____
Mobile Home Parks	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
Commercial Centers	_____	<u>1</u>	<u>UNDER CONSTRUCTION</u>	<u>4- T39N R30W</u>	<u>10</u>
Industrial Parks	_____	<u>1</u>	<u>3-07</u>	<u>1 T39N R30W</u>	_____
Other: _____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

C. Zoning

1. Does your unit have a zoning board or commission? Yes x No .

If yes, under what public act? P.A. 148 of 1943.

If yes, enclose a copy of the zoning ordinance and map.

If yes, describe the stage to which it this progressed?

If no, enclose the governing county zoning map and ordinance.

Is your unit in the process of initiating a zoning ordinance? Yes No .

2. Has the area proposed for annexation been zoned? Yes X No ____.

If yes, for what purposes? C-2.

If the Commission expanded the area under consideration what is the zoning for that area? RR-1.

3. Is any portion of the area proposed for annexation being considered for rezoning?
Yes ____ No X.

If yes, describe the proposed change.

4. List below the acreage of the land zoned in your unit:

<u>USE</u>	<u>NUMBER OF ACRES ZONED</u>	<u>NUMBER OF ACRES USED AS ZONED</u>
RESIDENTIAL	<u>23,617</u>	<u>11,731</u>
COMMERCIAL	<u>1,403</u>	<u>858</u>
INDUSTRIAL	<u>4,963</u>	<u>2,460</u>
AGRICULTURAL	<u>1,030</u>	<u> </u>
OTHER <u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

IV. STATE EQUALIZED VALUATION

Give the S.E.V. of your unit for the last three years. Start with present year:

<u>A. REAL PROPERTY</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2005</u>
Residential	\$ <u>166,051,500</u>	\$ <u>158,455,900</u>	\$ <u>149,983,300</u>
Commercial	\$ <u>22,855,100</u>	\$ <u>21,259,400</u>	\$ <u>21,350,600</u>
Industrial	\$ <u>63,254,700</u>	\$ <u>62,789,800</u>	\$ <u>63,199,000</u>
Agricultural	\$ <u>895,500</u>	\$ <u>834,400</u>	\$ <u>1,900,200</u>
Developmental	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>
Timber Cutover	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>
Utilities	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>
TOTAL	\$ <u>253,056,800</u>	\$ <u>243,339,500</u>	\$ <u>236,433,100</u>

B. <u>PERSONAL PROPERTY</u>	<u>200 7</u>	<u>200 6</u>	<u>200 5</u>
Residential	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>
Commercial	\$ <u>4,524,300</u>	\$ <u>4,908,300</u>	\$ <u>5,104,200</u>
Industrial	\$ <u>82,043,100</u>	\$ <u>82,599,000</u>	\$ <u>82,440,300</u>
Agricultural	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>
Developmental	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>
Timber Cutover	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>	\$ <u>0</u>
Utilities	\$ <u>11,740,500</u>	\$ <u>11,411,800</u>	\$ <u>9,116,100</u>
TOTAL IFT's	\$ <u>9,568,800</u>	\$ <u>11,790,300</u>	\$ <u>11,906,200</u>
TOTAL	\$ <u>107,876,700</u>	\$ <u>110,709,400</u>	\$ <u>108,566,800</u>

C. Give the current equalization factor for your unit: 1.

D. Give the most recent year's state equalized valuation for the area proposed for annexation. \$ 393,600.

If the Commission expanded the area, give the S.E.V. for that area:
\$ _____.

V. ALLOCATED AND VOTED MILLAGE RATES FOR THE LAST 3 YEARS

Example:	General Fund	1.00 Mills
	Debt Retirement	2.00 Mills
	Pension Fund	.50 Mills
	TOTAL	3.50 Mills

Start with the present year: 2004

<u>Unit Millage</u>		<u>County Millage</u>		<u>School Millage</u>	
Purpose	Amount	Purpose	Amount	Purpose	Amount
<u>Twp.</u>	<u>4.2</u>	<u>State Ed</u>	<u>6.0000</u>	<u>Sch Oper</u>	<u>18.0000</u>
<u>_____</u>	<u>_____</u>	<u>Co. Oper</u>	<u>6.12030</u>	<u>sch debt</u>	<u>5.3000</u>
<u>_____</u>	<u>_____</u>	<u>Library</u>	<u>.90000</u>	<u>ISD</u>	<u>2.1388</u>
<u>_____</u>	<u>_____</u>	<u>Sen Citizen</u>	<u>.40000</u>	<u>_____</u>	<u>_____</u>
<u>_____</u>	<u>_____</u>	<u>_____</u>	<u>_____</u>	<u>_____</u>	<u>_____</u>
TOTAL	<u>4.2</u>	TOTAL	<u>13.4203</u>	TOTAL	<u>25.4388</u>

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<u>Unit Millage</u>		<u>County Millage</u>		<u>School Millage</u>	
Purpose	Amount	Purpose	Amount	Purpose	Amount
<u>Twp Oper</u>	<u>4.2</u>	<u>State Ed</u>	<u>6.0000</u>	<u>Sch Oper</u>	<u>18.0000</u>
		<u>Co Oper</u>	<u>6.1203</u>	<u>Sch debt</u>	<u>5.1000</u>
		<u>Library</u>	<u>.90000</u>	<u>ISD</u>	<u>2.1388</u>
		<u>Health Dept</u>	<u>.20000</u>		
		<u>Sen Citizen</u>	<u>.40000</u>		
TOTAL	<u>4.2</u>	TOTAL	<u>13.6203</u>	TOTAL	<u>25.2388</u>

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		<u>Library</u>	<u>.90000</u>	<u>ISD</u>	<u>2.1388</u>
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		<u>Sen Citizens</u>	<u>.40000</u>		
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VI. TOPOGRAPHY / NATURAL BOUNDARIES / DRAINAGE BASINS

- A. Check any unusual or restrictive topographic features which could inhibit the use or development of the area proposed to be annexed.

<input type="checkbox"/> Extreme changes in elevation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Wetlands
<input type="checkbox"/> Perk test failure	<input type="checkbox"/> Bedrock near the surface
<input type="checkbox"/> Flood plain	<input type="checkbox"/> Prime agricultural land
<input type="checkbox"/> Drainage basin	<input type="checkbox"/> Other _____

- B. How does this proposed annexation relate to natural boundaries and drainage basins? (Include aerial map if available)
It does not appear to be linked to either.

VII. BOUNDARY HISTORY

- A. 1. During the past 10 years, has your unit been involved in any proposed detachments, annexations, incorporations, or consolidations?

Yes _____ No x

2. If yes, list the following for each case (attach extra sheets if necessary):

TYPE OF ADJUSTMENT PROPOSED: _____
(detachment, annexation, incorporation, consolidation)

REQUEST INITIATED BY: _____
(registered electors, property owners, city council, township board)

DATE REQUEST FILED: _____
DATE OF DECISION: _____

DECIDED BY: _____
(referendum, County Commission resolution, City Council resolution, City/Township mutual resolutions, State Boundary Commission action, Circuit Court, other court)

FINAL DECISION: _____

- B. Of those annexations accomplished, are these areas receiving all the city's services? Yes _____ No _____
No annexations in past 10 years x

If no, list the areas not receiving services and the services they lack:
The areas north of US-2 Iron Mountain do not have municipal water/sewer.

- C. Does your unit have any joint policies or agreements with adjacent units of government? Yes x No _____

If yes, explain: Mutual aid with Iron Mountain, Kingsford, Norway, Solid Waste Management, Economic Development Authority, Police back up, Centers for Regional Excellence Grant.

VIII. PAST AND PROBABLE FUTURE GROWTH & DEVELOPMENT

- A. How many building permits for the following categories have been issued by your unit of government within the last 3 years?

<u>9</u> Industrial	<u>180</u> Single Residential Units
<u>22</u> Commercial	_____ Multiple Housing Structures

B. Business development

1. How many new businesses opened in the last 5 years? 6
How many new jobs were created? 120
2. How many businesses expanded their operations in the last
5 years? 3
How many new jobs were added? 10
3. How many businesses reduced their operations in the last
5 years? N/A
How many jobs were lost?
4. How many businesses moved or closed their operations in the last 5 years?
3
How many jobs were lost? 12

- C. Have any special studies been conducted in your area regarding the general
economic situation? Yes No X In Process
If yes, enclose copy.

- D. Which of the following development tools serve your unit?
- X Economic Development Corporation (PA 338, 1974)
 - Local Development Finance Authority (PA 218, 1986)
 - Tax Increment Finance Authority (PA 450, 1980)
 - Downtown Development Authority (PA197, 1975)
 - Shopping Center Redevelopment Area (PA 120, 1961)
 - Empowerment Zone/Enterprise Community/Enterprise Zone
 - Local Revolving Loan Fund
 - X Other Corridor Improvement Authority

IX. NEED FOR ADDITIONAL PUBLIC SERVICES

- A. What additional services not presently available do your unit, residents and/or
property owners feel are necessary in the area proposed for annexation?

	SERVICE	DATE IT CAN BE AVAILABLE
1.	<u>Sanitary Sewer</u>	<u>2008</u>
2.	<u>Municipal Water</u>	<u>2008</u>
3.	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
4.	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
5.	<u> </u>	<u> </u>

- B. Of the services listed above, which ones will be difficult to provide?

Sanitary Sewer Service

Why? The cost of building a plant and running collection lines.
Also, reaching an agreement with Iron Mountain to purchase capacity
or to become a customer has been rejected.

X. PROBABLE EFFECTS OF PROPOSED ANNEXATION ON THE COST AND ADEQUACY OF SERVICES

- A. If annexation takes place, how will the change of boundaries affect the receiving unit of government?

N/A

- B. If annexation takes place, and public services are improved in the area annexed, what additional cost will the annexed area incur and how adequate will those services be?

N/A

- C. If annexation takes place, what will be the financial effect on the remaining area from which the annexation area is removed?

See Attached

- D. If annexation takes place, what will be the financial effect on the annexation area?

See Attached

X PROBABLE EFFECTS OF PRPOSED ANNEXATION ON THE COST AND ADEQUACY OF SERVICES

C.

At this point the Champion parcel generates \$1,017.24 in tax revenue based on taxable value of \$242,200.00. The immediate loss of property tax revenue and personal property tax revenue can be managed by the Township. However, the loss of development potential and future taxable value is incalculable currently. This coupled with the coninuted reductions in State Shared Revenue compound the loss of development potential for the township.

The Boundary Commission should also consider the impacts on adjoining properties in this analysis. There is a large residential area west of the proposed annexed parcel. Depending on the type of development that occurs on the annexed parcel it is entirely possible that the residential area could deteriorate and loss value as a result of the development of this parcel and thereby increase the magnitude of the loss to the township and surrounding area.

D.

The financial effect on the annexed parcel will be a higher property tax rate for real and personal property. There will be additional costs for utility service which does not currently exist.

1. Does your unit provide public water service? Yes X No ___
2. If yes, who owns the water treatment plant(s)? Township owns wells and tank.
Purchases water from Kingsford.
3. If the water treatment plant does not belong to your unit, has your unit purchased
a utility equity in the water system? Yes ___ No X
4. How many public water customers does your unit have? 1,000
5. Give the number of homes and also the section numbers in which public water is
not available: No. of homes 2,600 Section No. see attached map
approx.
6. Maximum capacity of your public water system is _____ gallons per
day.
Average present usage is 131,500 gallons per day;
_____ % of capacity.
7. Is your unit under orders or has it been cited by the Michigan Department of
Community Health, the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality, the
Michigan Water Resources Commission, or any other state or federal agency?
Yes ___ No X
8. If yes, give the nature of the orders or citations and what actions have been taken

_____.
_____.
9. Does your unit serve public water to the area proposed to be annexed?
Yes ___ No X
10. If not, how near to the area proposed for annexation are water mains of a size
adequate to serve the area? 4 plus miles south.
11. How is your public water system financed?
- | | |
|------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| ___ General obligation bonds | ___ Tap-in fees (amount:\$ _____) |
| ___ Special assessments | ___ Other _____ |
| <u>X</u> Revenue Bonds | |
12. What is the cost per linear foot to install water lines in the street?
\$ 40 plus blacktop/hot mixed asphalt
What is the cost per linear foot to extend lines on site? \$ _____
13. If public water service is not available, what other types of water services are
available to residents? Private wells

14. Have any governmental agencies placed any restrictions on adding new customers to your public water system?

Yes ___ No X

If yes, describe these restrictions: _____

15. Are there any plans to expand your water system? Yes X No ___

16. If yes, what sections or areas will receive services? _____
Sections 32, 33, 34 T40 R30W

17. How many new customers are expected to be served? 300

18. What is the estimated total number of customers who will ultimately be served following this expansion? 1,300

19. This expansion is:

X under study ___ under contract ___ under construction

20. Estimated date service will be available: 2009

21. What charges do customers within your unit pay to receive public water?
\$ 2,200 connection fee

22. If water is purchased under contract, do customers outside the unit pay the same rate as those within the unit providing the service?
Yes ___ No X

If no, what charges do customers outside the unit pay to receive public water?
\$ _____

23. Are special charges made in lieu of an assessment? Yes ___ No X
If yes, what is the amount? \$ _____

24. What must customers outside the providing unit do to receive this public water?
File a permit application for connection to the system.

25. If annexation does not occur, how soon would the area proposed for annexation receive public water services? _____

B. Sanitary Sewer

1. Does your unit provide sanitary sewer service? Yes ___ No X

2. If yes, who services the treatment plant? _____

3. If the sewage treatment plant does not belong to your unit, has your unit purchased a utility equity in the sewer system? Yes ___ No ___
4. How many sewer customers does your unit serve now? N/A
5. How many homes in your unit do not have sewer hookups available: ALL;
in what sections or areas: ALL
6. What is the highest level of wastewater treatment being provided:
Primary ___ Secondary ___ Tertiary ___
7. What methods of waste water treatment are being used?
(Check all that apply.)
- | | |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Activated Sludge | <input type="checkbox"/> Rotating Biological Contactors or Disks |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lagoons | <input type="checkbox"/> Groundwater Discharge Mound |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sand Filter | <input type="checkbox"/> Sequencing Batch Reactors |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Trickling Filter | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other <u>Septic tanks</u> |
8. Where does the waste water treatment plant discharge its effluent?
Surface water (Name/Location) Menominee River
Ground infiltration (Name/Location) N/A
9. Maximum capacity of the sewer system is 3 million gal/day.
10. The average usage is _____ gal/day; _____ % capacity.
11. Does your sewer ordinance require residents to hook up? Yes ___ No ___
If yes, how near does the sewer line have to be? _____ feet.
12. Does your unit provide sanitary sewer service to the area proposed for annexation? Yes ___ No X
13. If not, how near to the area proposed to be annexed are sewer lines of a size adequate to serve the area? In Iron Mountain approximately 1/4 to 1/2 mile
14. How is your sewer system financed?
- | | |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> General obligation bonds | <input type="checkbox"/> Tap-in fees (amount \$ _____) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Special assessments | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Revenue bonds | |
15. What is the cost per foot for installation of sewer lines in the street?
\$ _____
- What is the cost per foot for extension on site? \$ _____

16. Are you under orders to improve your waste water treatment?
Yes ___ No X

If yes, describe: _____

17. Are there plans to expand the sewer system? Yes X No ___

18. If yes, what sections or areas will receive services? _____
Quinnebec, East Kingsford, US2/141 corridor

19. Have you received approval from the involved state agencies for expansion of
the sewer system? Yes ___ No X

20. What is the estimated total number of customers who will ultimately be served
by this expansion? 1,300

21. This expansion is X under study ___ under contract ___ under construction

22. Estimated date service will be available: _____

23. What do customers within your unit pay to receive sewer service?
\$ _____

24. If sewer service is purchased under contract, do customers outside the unit pay
the same rate as those within the unit providing the services?
Yes ___ No ___

If no, what charges do customers outside the unit pay to
receive sewer service? \$ _____

25. Are special charges made in lieu of an assessment?
Yes ___ No ___

If yes, what is the amount? \$ _____

26. What must customers outside the providing unit do to receive this sewer
service? _____

27. If annexation does not occur, how soon would the area proposed for
annexation receive sewer service? _____

C. Fire Protection

1. Fire protection for your unit is provided:
X by your own department

_____ under contract from another unit:
_____ by the _____ Fire District which serves the following units:

2. Underwriters rating: 9 (north)

3. What is the composition of the fire department that provides fire protection to your unit?

Number of fire fighters on force: Full-time _____ Volunteer 36

4. How is the fire department financed?

☐ Special Assessment ☐ Charge for each fire run
☐ General obligation bonds ☒ General operating funds
☐ Other _____

5. Who provides fire protection to the area proposed for annexation?
Breitung Township Underwriters rating: 9

6. If the annexation is approved, who would provide fire protection?

7. How near is the fire station now providing fire protection to the area proposed for annexation? 2 miles

8. If the annexation is approved, how near would the fire station providing fire protection be? 2 miles

D. Police Protection

1. Police protection for your unit of government is provided:

☐ by your own department
☐ by the county sheriff
☒ under contract from another unit: Dickinson County Sheriff
☐ from the _____ Joint Service District which serves the
following units: _____

2. What is the composition of the police department?

Full-time officers 2 Part-time officers _____

3. How is the police department financed?

☐ Special Assessment ☐ Charge for each police run
☐ General obligation bonds ☒ General operating funds
☐ Other _____

4. Who provides police protection to the area proposed for annexation?
Breitung Township Dickinson County Sheriff and Michigan State Police

5. If the annexation is approved, who would provide police protection?
Iron Mountain Police Department

6. How near is the police station which now provides police protection to the area proposed for annexation? 2.5 miles
7. If the annexation is approved, how near would be the police station which provides police protection? 2 miles

E. Garbage Collection

1. Does your unit provide garbage collection service?
☒ **Yes**; this service is provided by
 ___ your unit (direct operation).
 ☒ your unit via contract with private firm.
 ___ Your unit via an intergovernmental or regional contract.
 ___ **No**; this service is provided by private arrangements between residents and property owners with individual haulers.
 ___ **No**; this service is not available.

If the answer to 1 was "Yes" respond to the following (2 - 5):

2. How many homes are served? 3,600
3. Does this service include the area proposed to be annexed?
Yes ☒ No ___
4. How often is the pickup made? Once per week
5. How is the service financed?
 ___ Special Assessment
 ___ Each homeowner billed for service by governmental unit
 ☒ General operating funds
 ___ Paid by resident to individual hauler

F. Street Lights

1. Does your unit have a street light program? Yes ☒ No ___
2. If yes, how is the program financed? Property taxes

G. Library Service

1. Does your unit provide library service? Yes ___ No ☒
2. If yes, it is: ___ unit operated ___ county wide ___ area wide.

H. School District Breitung Township Schools

I. Other services available to your unit's residents:

TYPE OF SERVICE	FURNISHED BY UNIT OR ON CONTRACT?	METHOD OF FINANCING
1. road paving	contract	general operating funds
2. brush/leaf collect.	unit-DPW	general operating funds
3. cemetery	unit-DPW	general operating funds
4. _____	_____	_____

XII. FINANCIAL ABILITY TO PROVIDE AND MAINTAIN SERVICES TO AREA

A. What major capital improvements have taken place in your unit in the last five years, and how were they financed?

IMPROVEMENT	FINANCED
1. DPW Building	Loan Installment, purchase agreement
2. Twp Hall rehabilitation	operating funds
3. well field development	operating funds/water funds
4. _____	_____

B. Does your unit of government have application for bonds before the Michigan Municipal Finance Commission? Yes ___ No X

If yes, state the kind of bond, purpose, total amount of bonded indebtedness and the maturity date:

KIND	PURPOSE	AMOUNT	MATURITY DATE
_____	_____	\$ _____	_____
_____	_____	\$ _____	_____

C. Indebtedness related to annexation area.

1. Does your unit of government have any bonded indebtedness in place or in process that affects the area proposed for annexation?

Yes x No

a. If yes, state the following about the debt:

KIND	PURPOSE	AMOUNT	MATURITY DATE
Loan	DPW Building	\$184,990	2009
		\$	

- b. If yes, attach copies of any "Order of Approval" issued to your unit by the Municipal Finance Commission that relate to bonds for sewer or water facilities serving the annexation area and include copies of maps describing the physical location of the sewer and water lines.

2. Has your unit incurred any other liabilities relating to the area proposed for annexation? Yes No x

If yes, describe the liabilities and their value (\$).

3. Has your unit signed any other contractual agreements affecting the area proposed for annexation? Yes No x

If yes, list the agreements and include copies.

4. Has your unit accumulated any assets attributable to the area proposed for annexation? Yes No x

If yes, describe the assets and their values(\$).

5. What percent of your total sanitary sewer, public water, storm drainage and other utility exist in the area proposed for annexation?

0 % sewer

0 % public water

0 % storm drainage

 % other

A. What is the position of your government officials on this proposed annexation?

B. What is the position of the affected residents of the proposed area for annexation towards this petition?

C. What is the position of your constituents towards this petition?

XIV. WHAT IS THE RELATIONSHIP OF THE PROPOSED ANNEXATION TO ANY ESTABLISHED TOWNSHIP, VILLAGE, CITY, COUNTY OR REGIONAL LAND USE PLAN?

List the people who completed this questionnaire:

<u>Perry Franzoi</u>	<u>Superintendent</u>	<u>(906) 779-2055</u>
<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
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Date Completed 6-8-07

XIII. GENERAL EFFECT UPON COMMUNITY OF PROPOSED ACTION

A. What is the position of your government officials on this proposed annexation?

The Township Board has been opposed to the annexation of the Champion parcel. Recent discussions with Champion Inc. personnel and the City of Iron Mountain have led the Township Board to be somewhat optimistic about the possibility of the City and the Township agreeing to an Act 425 Agreement. Thus, the Iron Mountain City Manager and the Breitung Township Superintendent have had a number of discussions on the proposed agreement and the discussions are continuing.

The Township prefers to reach a mutually beneficial Act 425 Agreement with the City of Iron Mountain on the Champion Inc. parcel. As a stand-alone issue, the Township Board is vehemently opposed to annexation.

B. What is the position of the affected residents of the proposed area for annexation towards this petition?

There are no residents in the immediate area of the annexation. The property in question is an industrial parcel that was and is used for a concrete batch plant and warehousing. The property owners have initiated the annexation and that speaks for itself.

C. What is the position of your constituents towards this petition?

The Township has not conducted a poll of the residents to gauge their opinion of the annexation, but has heard numerous comments on the subject from concerned citizens. The constituents of the Township are generally opposed to the annexation.

XIV. WHAT IS THE RELATIONSHIP OF THE PROPOSED ANNEXATION TO ANY ESTABLISHED TOWNSHIP, VILLAGE, CITY, COUNTY OR REGIONAL LAND USE PLAN?

The Township's Master Plan was updated in 2005 and does not contain any reference to the issue of annexation for this property or any other property in the Township. Although the Master Plan is relatively new, issues such as annexation, 425 Conditional Transfers, and Act 7 Urban Cooperation Act Transfers had not been addressed as planning tools that the Township would utilize during the life of the plan.